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THE CLEMENS FAMILY

Mr Lewis Waldemar Clemens, of the Royal Colonial Institute, of Toronto, Canada, has for a number of years untiringly searched the family records of the Clemens family back through the archives of Ottawa and has carefully traced the ancestry of the official records of England and Holland, with such success that his complete work has been passed upon by the College of Arms, England, and after strict scrutiny has received the official approval of that institution.

Mr Clemens has traced an unbroken record of the family ancestry back to the sixteenth century, to one

I. CLEMENT of Toft, Lincolnshire, England. He was the father of

II. WILLIAM CLEMENT, of WISSINGSETT, Norfolkshire, to whom in the

reign of Queen Elizabeth, in the year 1563, the Family Arms were granted by the visitation of Norfolk, made by William Harvey, Claren-cieux King of Arms, South of Trent, and confirmed by John Raven, Richmond Herald, in the year 1613. The wife of William Clement was one Ann Nernon. They had three children, George, Thomas and Edmund.

III. GEORGE CLEMENT, married Audry Denny, daughter of John Denny, of Chishunt, and widow of John Haydon, of Longham.

IV. GEORGE CLEMENT, son of George and Audry, became Puritans and together with ten or twelve others were beheaded in the year 1660 upon the restoration of the crown to Charles, for having signed with Oliver Cromwell and fifty-seven others, the warrant for the execution of Charles the First, 1648. They had a son Jacob.

V. JACOB CLEMENT, born 1651, was nine years old when his father George, was beheaded. He and his elder brother John also became Puritans and when Jacob was eighteen years of age, the two brothers came out to America in 1669. Jacob afterwards returned to England

and in 1677 he was married there to a woman whose Christian name was Mary. The records show that on account of religious persecution Jacob and his wife, Mary, crossed over to Holland, where they made their home. In Holland the name was changed from the original ~~XXXX~~ Norman form to the Dutch form, "Clemens." They had three sons, Gerhart, John and Jacob. Tradition says that John was a merchant and unmarried and settled in New York. Jacom located in Chester County, Pennsylvania, where many of his descendents are still living while many migrated to Canada. Some of these descendents are today living in the vicinity of Spring City, Pa.

VI GERHART CLEMENS arrived in America and remained in New York for a few years and then in 1709 he came and settled in what is known as Lower Salford Township, where in 1718 he purchased a tract of land containing 300 acres. He purchased land adjoining his 300 acres until he had 690 acres which he claimed as his own, and which was confirmed to him by a patent dated the 15th day of April, 1734. Here he built his home and had for his neighbors, Andrew Lederach, Dielman Kolb and Hans Ulrich Berge. The original homestead is now in possession of Rhine Clemens, of the seventh generation from Gerhart. Onlt the Christian name of his wife was unknown until lately as ANN, Through the following document by Mr W. T. Stauffer of Newport News, Virginia, an attorney, it is shown that her name was Mary Reiff.

" Gerhart Clemens, son of Jacob * and Mary Clemens, was born in 1680, probably in Holland. In the year 1702 he married Anna Reiff, Hans Stauffer, her step-father still owed money to Anna which he had received for her from the estate of her father, Michael Reiff. After the marriage, Hans made payments on this debt from time to time to Gerhart Clemens, somtimes in money and sometimes in property. Among the property given by him in payment were a cow valued at 12 rix-dollars and a horse. Both Hans Stauffer and Gerhart Clemens make entries

of this payment in their respective note-books, each giving the valuation of the cow but not of the horse. They differ however, in that Gerhart gives the valuation of a cow at 12 rix-dollars, while Hans gives the same valuation for a cow and calf. Gerhart seems to have some doubt as to the justness of the valuation put on the cow..

It may be asked why Gerhart went for his wife from Holland to Mains, where Anna then lived. The answer is that Hans Stauffer, her step-father, had a brother, Ulrich, then living in Friesland, Holland, and there was frequent communication between them.

NOTE. *

This statement is on the authority of an entry in Gerhart Clemens's note-book. It accords with the research of Mr Lewis Waldemer Clemens, F. R. C. I. , who states that Gerharts father was James, James is but an English form for Jacob. The statement that Gerhart Clemens was born in Holland is on the authority of Mr L. W. Clemens.

NOTE.

Hans Stauffer in his note-book frequently calls her(Ann Reiff) frequently calls her ANNeli , which is but the Swiss diminutive for Anna. In America her name was spelled Ann or Anne.

Early in 1709, Gerhart Clemens disposed of his property to his father, his brother John, and his father-in-law . His unmarried brother, John, was living in New York; and it is probably through his influence that Gerhart came to America. He arrived here in 1709, perhaps early in the year, as we learn that his brother, John, on March 3, 1709, made settlement with him "regarding his purchased goods". Shortly after his arrival in Pennsylvania, Gerhart settled in Skippack Township, Philadelphia (now Montgomery County, Pa., where in 1711 he purchased from Matthew Van Bebber a tract of 100 acres of land. He became resident land agent for David Powell of Philadelphia City, who had large land holdings in the county and from whom , in

1718, he bought a tract of 300 acres of land on the northwestern branch of the Perkiomen Creek in what is now Lower Salford Township. Here on the west side of the creek, he built a large house, where he lived while he cleared away the forest. Later in life, he erected a larger and more commodious residence on the east side of the Perkiomen. By purchase and patent, he acquired additional tracts so that at one time or another, during his life, he was the owner of upwards of 1,500 acres of land.

The weaving industry of his family, no doubt, furnished the means to pay for this land. Numerous entries in his note-book show that Gerhart and some of his children were weavers and wove homespun goods for their friends and neighbors. This is not to be wondered at for the first people in America to make ~~it~~ a business of weaving were the Mennonites, to which sect Gerhart Clemens and his family belonged. The early promonence of Philadelphia as a weaving center is due to the Mennonites who settled at Germantown.

In 1726, Gerhart Clemens built the first grist mill in Salford Township on the Perkiomen Creek, near the present site of Groff' mill. The mill was built under contract by Jacob Souder. It stood until 1823. nearly a hundred years. Part of the foundation is still discernable. It stood against a hill and was two stories high. Customers bringing their grist drove up the side of the hill and unloaded on the second story, while those who came for their flour and bran received them from the first floor.

On September 26, 1738, Gerhart Clemens and his wife , Anne, conveyed 150 acres of land with the mill and the residence to their son, John, (deed book G7, p, 550, Philadelphia, Pa..). On June 20 and 21, 1738, they conveyed to their son, Jacob, three tracts of land containing in the ~~aggrextatex~~ aggregate 321 acres (deed books G7 p, 547, and G8, p, 447, Philadelphia, Pa)

On May 30, 1741, they sold to their son, Abraham, 236 acres of their vast holdings. The remainder of his lands, about 824 acres, he sold at various times to various persons. He died cir. 1745, and is buried in the graveyard of the Lower Salford Mennonite Meeting-house. It is probable that his wife died before he did, as tradition says that, during the later years of his life, he made his home with his son, Jacob. There is no record in Philadelphia of the settlement of his estate. He apparently prepared himself for the event of his death by dividing his property among his children during his lifetime. Gerhart and Ann Clemens had five children, Jacob, John, Abraham, Ann, the wife of John Valentinr Kratz; Margaret, Wife of George Wagley.

George Clemens, the son of Abraham and Catharine Bachman Clemens, is the ancestor of the larger number of Clemenses in Canada. The Pennsylvania Archives show that George Clemens served in Richard Brown's company of Pennsylvania troops during the American Revolution. This company took part in the Battle of Long Island, wher many of the company were killed or taken prisoner, among them the Captain. The muster roll of October 1, 1776, shows that George Clements "deserted September 12 " See Penna Archives, Ser. 5, Vol. ~~EE~~ II, page 298, 301, 302, 305, 308.

Ann Clemens, daughter of Garret and Ann married John Valentine Kratz. The Kratz family History by Rev. A. J. Fretz, gives the record of their descendents.

ANNA REIFF. THE WIFE OF GERHART CLEMENS.

Anne (ANN, Aneli) Reif was the daughter of Kinget Hiestand by her first husband, Michael Reif. She was born in Switzerland, probably between 1680 and 1684, as her mother, then a widow, married Hans (John) Stauffer in 1685. When Anna was but a child, her father died, leaving a considerable estate. Hans Stauffer in his note-book shows that Michael Reif left at least 100 rix-dollars, § 150 guldens to his

widow and 215 guildens to Anna. About the time her mother married Hans Stauffer, the family fled from Switzerland because of the persecution of the Mennonites and settled near Mains, Germany; for Hans Stauffer shows in his note-book that they lived but a two day' journey from Weissenau, which is the first train stop south of Mains. Here in, August 1702, she married Gerhart Clemens. Hans Stauffer seems to have been her guardian. At any rate, he held in trust the money, which Anna inherited from her father, and which was not fully paid over to her until some years after her marriage. It would seem that Anna's wedding was quite an affair from the number of charges which Hans Stauffer made against her in his note-books on account of the wedding. In 1709, she and her husband and their family migrated to America and settled in Skippack Township. Next year her stepfather, Hans Stauffer, and her mother and their family followed her to America and settled in Chester County, Pa., near Valley Forge. She died before 1745, and is buried in the graveyard of the Lower Salford Mennonite-house.

N O T E .

A number of errors have appeared in various publications with regard to Anna Reif. In the History of the Stauffer and Bower Families by Rev. Henry S. Bower, is given what is purported to be a quotation of Hans Stauffer's diary, but what is really a summary of Hans's account of his journey down the Rhine on his way to America. In the midst of this summary in quotations, Bower states: " one daughter, being married to Gerhard Clemens, remained in Switzerland and never came to America". ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ Though it looks as tho it were quoted from Hans Stauffer, yet a careful examination of his note-books (there are two) shows that no such statement is to be found in his account of his journey down the Rhine or anywhere in his books. Unfortunately, Bower has been followed by a number of

other genealogists and family historians, among them Rev. A. J. Fretz and Ralph Strassberger. Fretz in his Stauffer-Stover Family, gives Anna's name as Amelia. He evidently misread Hans's pet name Anneli. On page 41 of book 1, Hans speaks of her as "Anna, called Anel". Her family name is given as Risser by Bower and Fretz and as Rieser by others. The Swiss and southern Germans add the feminine ending en or in to women's family names, Reif thus becomes Reifin or Reiffin. Bower and Fretz misread and called her Risser instead of Reif. They mistook the f for a long s and the final n for an r. Wherever Hans writes of Anna's father, his family name is written plainly Reif.

Notes in Hans Stauffer's Note-books
Concerning Kinget Hiestand, Anna Reif and Gerhard Clemens.

The notes following were translated by the writer, (~~XXXXXXXXXX~~) (W. T. Stauffer, of Newport News, Va.) from photostatic copies of Hans Stauffer's note-books, furnished the writer by Jacob Stauffer. A fuller translation is being printed in the current issue of the Publication of the Genealogical Society of Pennsylvania.

Anno 1685, I took my wife, Kinget Hiestand, have money and money's worth 100 and 50 R., to say one hundred and fifty guldens.
1 p. 101..

I, Hans Stauffer, my wife Kinget Hiestand, when I got her, had 100 R. from Michael Reif from Matterheim, 1685. 1 p. 99

Gerhart Clemens married Anelin Reif in the year 1702. 1 p, 43

Anno 1702 year, Gerhart Clemens married Anneli Reif. 2 p, 54.

I gave out of that which came from Michael Reif for my daughter Anna, called Anel, toward her wedding.

First, an ox weighed one hundred and twenty pounds, a pound for a a groschen. Is reckoned together, say 6. R.

Lastly of the ox and wether and hog makes together five guldens.

The groceries for the wedding, two guldens, 1 p. 41

Moreover, I gave toward the wedding in linen cloth two guldens.

Moreover, I gave Anal two guldens for the chest, 1703, August.

On the second purchase in the drug store glory wax mixed with other wax.

Moreover, I gave Anel a cow and a calf. Is valued at twelve Reichsthalers. 1 page 43.

I, Hans Stauffer, gave my step-daughter, Anneli Reif, from the Michael Reif heritage, a cow with the calf, valued at eighteen guldens. 1 p. 45.

I, Hans Stauffer, gave my step-child, Anli Reif, woolen cloth toward her wedding for eighteen guldens, August 9, 1702.

1 p. 44.

Item. I, Hans Stauffer, bought (and) gave my step-child Anneli Reif, woolen cloth toward the wedding for 12 guldens, Aughus 9, 1702. 1 p. 45.

Item, I, Hans Stauffer, owe my son-in-law, Gerhart Clemens, of the goods from Metterheim, which comes from Michael Reif, one hundred and sixty guldens, say 100 and 60 R. January, 1704.

1704, the 24, I gave my son-in-law, Gerhart Clemens, in money 5 R., say five guldens. 1 p. 21

on New-years day, 1705, I again gave Gerhart Clemens 5 R, 1 p. 24.

1705, the 2 February, I Hans Stauffer, gave my son-in-law, Gerhart Clemens, at Lower Pforsheim, 12 R. in money. 1 p. 23

Item, I Hans Stauffer, gave my son-in-law, Gerhart Clemens, the horse and enough money to make 66 R., 1 p. 23.

Item. I Hans Stauffer, gave my son-in-law in addition to the horse, 10 R., say 10 guldens. 1 p. 44.

1705, the 19 September, I gave my son-in-law four gueldens. 1 0,54
1 p.54

Anna 1705, on Christmas day, I Hans Stauffer, gave my son-in-law,
Gerhart Clemens, in money 3 R. 1 p. 24.

Item. I, Hans Stauffer, gave my son-in-law E malters of oats the
10 March, 1706. 1 p. 42. 3 malters of oats, a malter for
a dollar, 4 R. 30 kr. 1 p. 43.

Item. I, Hans Stauffer, gave my son-in-law 2 R., the 27 July, 1706.
1 p. 44.

Some records from the note-book of Gerhart Clemens.

From the New York Genealogical and Biographical Record. Page 49

" Gerhart Clemens, Husbandman and Wine Dresser, also a Linen and Cloth Weaver, came to London on his way to America, May 6, 1709. He was aged 28 years and had with him his wife and two sons, aged five years and one and a half years respectively".

In the diary of Gerhart Clemens occurs this entry: Anno 1713, on the 16th of January, I was to Maryland with Matthias Van Bebber.

Anno 1709, March 8, I Jacob Clemens (the father of Gerhart) gave my son Gerhart by mine own hand on account 126 guilders.

Anno March 3, 1709, I John Clemens have settled with my brother Gerhart Clemens and made everything balance regarding his purchased goods.

Entry made in Holland, without date. "My father-in-law reckoned to me for the horse 35 rix-dollars. Is that right now?".

Note. A guilder was equal to forty cents. Two and a half guilders made one rix-dollar, which is equal to one dollar in United States money.

Anno 1709, October 20, I bought a horse from Heinrich Kassel for 3 pounds and 7 shillings and 6 pence; and it is to be paid by next May.

April 15, 1728, sold a cow to Abraham Hiestand for 3 pounds and 5 shillings.

Anno 1728, July 2nd I settled with Jacob Reif and remain in debt to him for the land yet 14 pounds, 18 shillings.

Anno 1728 November 15, I Gerhart Clemens bought from hans Michael Wagley, a mare with a young colt for 5 pounds.

June 2, 1726 he borrowed money from Dringen Sprogle, 14 pounds, and again on November 11, he borrowed again from the same person, in gold, five pounds, eight shillings, four pence and three farthings

March 26 1726 he made a contract with Jacob Souder to built a mill, to be well made and give good satisfaction for which he was to receive 33 pounds; one half thereof to be paid when the mill was finished, the other half in six months afterward. Without date there occurs this record: I remain in debt to Souder 11 pounds. Anno 1927, February 26, Jacob Souder again received 3 pounds and I remain in debt yet eight pounds and eight shillings

Anno 1726, March 13, I made a piece of cloth, altogether thirty-~~xxxx~~ nine yards of tow and twenty-one yards of flaxen for Jacob Garman. Wiyhout date, John Lederach's flaxen cloth is thirty-six yards at six pence per yard. No date, For Paul Friet I made of flaxen cloth. It is twenty-three yards at five pence per yard. Made a piece of tow cloth for John Lederach. it is fifteen yards and a half, at five pence per yard.

Gerhart Clemens was one of the founders of the Salford Mennonite Mennonite Congregation in October 1738. For many years the meeting was known as Clemences' A ten acre tract was set apart for the Meeting house and for a burial place; and here Gerhard Clemens and his wife Ann Reif, are buried, but their graves are not marked.

Gerhart Clemens and his wife had six children, viz: Jacob, John, Abraham, Ann, the wife of John Valentine Kratz, Margaret, wife of George Wagley, and Catharine, wife of John Ulrich Stauffer.

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The oldest tomb stone found in the Salford Mennonite graveyard was erected to the memory of Ann, wife of Hans Reiff, and bears date of 1741. A certain Abraham Clemens died in Bucks County in 1715, at a very great age. He had two sons, but nothing is known of them.

On May 10, 1728 Gerhart Clemens joined with many others from Colebrookdale in a petition to Governor Gordon, praying for relief against what they suffered, and were likely to suffer, from the Indians, who had fallen upon the back inhabitants about Falkner Swamp and Goschenhoppen.-- Penna Archives vol 1 page 213.

Gerhart Clemens signed a petition for the opening of a road, the first road opened through Skippack, in 1718.

Rev Hans Jacob Schnebele, a prominent Mennonite Minister in 1700 in Ubersheimer Hoff, Germany. He had two daughters:

Elizabeth Schnaebele, married to Dielman Kolb, a prominent Mennonite Minister in Skippack, Pa.

Anna Maria Schnebele, married George Bachman, who came from Germany and settled near Coopersburg. He came about 1725 and was one of the organizers of the Saucon Mennonite Church. Both are buried in the cemetery adjoining the Saucon Church. They had eleven children:

Henry Bachman, born 1717; died 10-2-1757.

John Jacob Bachman, born 1-15-1720

*** Catharine Bachman, born 8-25-1722. She married Abraham Clemens son of Gerhart and Ann Reiff Clemens.

John George Bachman, born 11-30-1724. He married Esther Oberholtzer, daughter of Jacob Oberholtzer.

Christian Bachman, born 5-19-1727

Mary Bachman, born 1-23-1728

Elizabeth Bachman, born 7-3-1732

Johannes Bachman, born 1735

Samuel Bachman, born 1739

Susanna Bachman, born 1742

Abraham Bachman, born 1744

One daughter was married to Jacob Schneider

Another daughter married to Abraham Schwartz

Susanna was still single in 1754 at the time when when her father's Estate was settled in 1754

IN THE NAME OF GOD, Amen. I George Bachman of Upper Saucon, in the County of Northampton, in the Province of Pennsylv., yeoman. Being weak in body but of sound memory (blessed be God) do this day the fifteenth day of October in the year of our Lord, One thousand and seven hundred and fifty-three, make and publish this my Last Will and Testament in manner following, that is to say:

IMPRIMIS: It is my will and I do order that in the first place all my just debts and funeral charges be paid and satisfied.

ITEM: I give unto Anna Maria, my Dearly beloved wife all the possessions of any real and personal estate during her natural life, and I have distributed my land and money to each of my children, of them that are married as in this annexed paper is to be seen, and the minors are to have, that is my three sons John Bachman, Samuel and Abraham Bachman, each of them shall have a place to live on for them and their heirs and assigns after they come to the age of twenty-one years and I give my wife full power and authority to distribute then these places amongst them, my three sons and nominate to each of them which place he shall have EXCEPT him that shall have ye place where I live on now. He shall pay one hundred and fifty pounds Current Lawful money of the Province, to be paid to the rest of my children, and I give to my well beloved daughter Susanna as much as I gave to the rest of my daughters equal with them, Ninety Pounds at marriage, and it is my will that after my and my wife's decease, my children with the help of my overseers of my estate and Last Will and Testament that they shall equally divide all what there shall be left of my estate, after my wife's decease, amongst my children, share and share alike, the youngest and oldest equally alike. I give to my wife Anna Maria Bachman, and I make and order her, my said wife Sole executrix of my last will and testament in trust for the intents and purposes in the this my will contained, and I make my loving son Henry Bachman, and my friends, Abram Clemens and John Yoder, joint overseers of this my last will and testament to take care and see the same performed to my true intent and meaning of this my last will and testament. I do empower and authorise my wife Anna Maria Bachman and the three nominated overseers to give and grant Deed or Deeds of conveyance to each of them or either of them that is of age and are to come of age as actually if it was done from or under my hand, and with the presence of my children and therefore I do take and shall be by my executrix and overseers if any of my children shall object against this my last will and testament shall be deemed as a Disobedient child. And the above nominated remaining part of my estate shall not be sold by way of Vendue but amiably divided amongst my children as above said.

I give and bequeath unto the poor of our congregation (Saucon Mennonite Church) the sum of fifteen pounds of good and lawful monies to be raised and levied out of my estate as a legacy and to be paid unto the Warden thereof.

In witness whereof I the said George Bachman have to this my last Will and Testament set my hand and seal the day and year above written.

George Bachman, (seal)

Signed sealed and delivered by the said George Bachman as and for his last will and testament in the presence of us who were present at the signing and sealing thereof.

Jacob Musselman, George Ackerman, John Kooker.

The will was proved May 29, 1854. Recorded in the office for Recording of Wills at Philadelphia. No. 115, Book K. Page 174.

INVENTORY OF THE ESTATE
o f
GEORGE BACHMAN

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Inventory made the twelfth and thirteenth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and fifty-four, of the goods, chattles of George Bachman of Upper Soucon Township, in the County of Northampton, in the Province of Pennsylvania, yeoman, deceased, to exhibit in the Registers office at Philadelphia for the Probate of Wills for the Province aforesaid.

	Pds	S	d
IMPRIMIS to ready money -----	75	13	06
To Bonds, notes and Book Debts -----	78	10	06
To a clock and ye clock case -----	8	00	00
To clothe press and all ye trumpery in it -----	5	00	00
To two beds and bed steads -----	3	00	00
To two pieces of Linnen cloth -----	5	00	00
To a small piece do do -----	1	05	00
To some flax & ditto yarns and some ditto wollen		14	00
To a chest		15	00
To a cabbish chast bench		05	00
To a cubbert and doe trof -----		10	00
To three little wheels and a reel -----		4	00
To a semson -----	1	00	00
To a flax hackel and sundries -----		7	00
To two Bibles and sundry other Books -----	4	00	00
To a stilliard, a table and lantern -----	1	02	00
To sundry Pewter ware -----	2	10	00
To three iron pots and sundry ditto pans -----	1-	14	00
To a Iron kettle and a jack -----	1	00	00
To a big copper kettle, a little do, tea kettle, brass ^{cup} -----	3	00	00
To Two dressers, earthen ware and other household goods	1	00	00
To all Cedar Cooper ware -----	1	00	00
To 25 hogsheads and four barrels -----	5	00	00
To a Brass Still -----	18	00	00
To grubbing and weeding hoes dung forks, two little hooks, drawing knife, augurs, spades and Iron ware	2	00	00
To Shredded wool -----	1	00	00
To two beds, three bedsteads & a coverlet -----	3	10	00
To bukweit and saults with cask -----		12	00
To Eleven bags -----	1	00	00
To threshed oats -----		15	00
To a old chest and a meal chest -----		7	06
To swingled flax and tow -----		7	00
To a big wheel and a reel -----		6	00
To six old sickels and six old scythes -----		12	00
To four pitch forks and two dung forks -----		7	00
To a windmill and five sieves -----		10	00
To two old wagons -----	5	00	00
To two old saddles and some wagon tackling -----	1	15	00
To a bay horse and a braun horse -----	19	00	00
To a braun horse and a stallion -----	16	00	00
To a Mare and three colts -----	12	00	00
To two plows and ye tackling thereto belonging -----	3	00	00
To a harrow -----		17	00
To eight Milk Cows -----	24	00	00
To three stears -----	6	00	00
To a stear, a bull and a heiffer -----	3	15	00
To four yearling calves -----	4	05	00

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To wy Sheep and twelve young ones -----	5	11 00
To 15 hogs -----	4	17 06
To three axes, timber chain, maul and wedges -----		19 06
To cutting box -----		13 06
To twenty-five cow halters -----	3	00 06
Two three calves -----	1	02 03
The wheat and rye on the field -----	15	15 00
To a piece of tow linnen -----	1	02 04
To flax yearn (yarn) -----	2	01 06
To a Iron Stove -----	3	00 00
To poplar boards -----	4	10 00
To a stack of hay -----	1	00 00
To servant man and a girle, their time -----	8	00 00
To two hogsheds of Cyder -----	3	10 00
To two ditto hogsheds -----	3	00 00
To a cow -----	1	10 00

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Appraised by us the subscribers hereof
on dates and days first above written.

Philip Geisinger

his

John H I Joder, jr.

mark

Henry Sell

The account of Anna Maria Bachman, Executrix of the Last Will and Testament of George Bachman, dec'd The said accomtant charges herself with all and singular the goods, Chattles, Rights and Credits which were of the said deceased and mentioned in the inventory thereof exhibited into and remaining in the Reg. Gen. office at Philadelphia

Amount to June 14, 1754 ----- 385 10- 97

The said accomtant prays allowance for her several payments made out of the same as follows, viz:

May 29, 1756.

	Pd	s	d
Cash for probate of will and file it	1	01	00
Paid Jacob Sneider in full of his wife's portion with which she had before ye will	26	09	00
Paid Abraham Clemens in full of per do	17	00	00
Paid Abraham Schwartz in full per do	14	00	00
Paid Christian Rinker a debt per receipt	12	00	00
Paid John Conniris do do	7	00	00
Paid Philip Geisinger at twice	11	05	01
Paid Christ Newcommet	7	11	05
Paid George Sharer	1	02	00
Paid Melchor Kriepel		12	02
Paid John Yoder		17	00
Paid Christian Newcommet		16	00
Paid Philip Geisinger		7	06
Paid John Kookken at twice		17	06
Paid Henry Bachman		5	06
Paid Henry Sell		5	00
Paid Jacob musselman	2	10	00
paid George Ackerman		10	00
Paid Jacob Musselman		10	00
Paid John Kookken		9	00
Paid legacy of ye poor of the congregation	15	00	00
Paid for sundry writing		15	00
Paid at office for making copy		17	00
Allowance legacy due Sussana Bachman per will	90	00	00
Two cows, bed and household goods for Sussanna	20	00	00
Paid a debt due John Adams, Deeds &c	6	15	00
Paid debt due Peter Shoewalder, do do	4	00	00
By commission for 385P 20s 7d at 5 per cent	19	05	06
By commission for Pans %o Do Do	12	03	06
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Bal, of 110p 18 s 5d to be divided among the widow and 11 children

The widow she received her third 36 18 09

Each of the said children recei'd

6p 14s 4d

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GERHART CLEMMENS, was born in Holland about 1680. He and his wife Anna were buried in the Salford Mennonite Meeting Grounds, but there is no marker to their graves. He died about 1745. He married Anna Reiff, daughter of Michael and Kinget Heistand Reiff, in 1702, at the home of her step-father, in Wissenau. She was born in Switzerland, cir 1680 - 1684. In 1709 they migrated to America and located in Salford, Pa., Here they lived then all their life.

They had six children, viz:

Jacob Clemens, married Barbara

John Clemens, married first Catharine and second Catharine the widow of George Markley.

*** Abraham Clemens, married Catharine Bachman, the daughter of George and Anna Maria Bachman.

Ann Clemens married John Valentine Kratz, The Kratz History by Rev. A. J. Fretz, gives a full record of their descendents.

Margaret Clemens married George Wagley.

Catharine Clemens, married John Ulrich Stauffer.

*** ABRAHAM CLEMENS, born 1710 and died 1776. Married Catharine Bachman, daughter of George and Maria Bachman. They resided in Lower Salford and both are buried at the Salford Mennonite graveyard. They had ten Children: viz:

George Clemens, married Elizabeth Carlisle and resided in Chester County, Pa.

Gerhart Clemens, born 1-2-1745; died 5-1-1820. He was unmarried

*** Abraham Clemens, born 12-31-1752; died 9-15-1808. In 1778 he married Mary Steiner, daughter of John and Magdalena Lederach, grand daughter of Andrew Lederach

Jacob Clemens, born 9-26-1756; died in Chester County and both are buried in the Vincent Mennonite graveyard. He had

married Elizabeth Lederach, the daughter of Henry and Ann Lederach. She was born 2-25-1864m died 3-26-1829.

Mary Clemens born 4-27-1845 and died 8-30-1823 She married Jacob Kolb, son of Peter and grandson of Rev. Dielman Kolb.

Anna Clemens, married Matthias Stauffer.

Elizabeth Clemens married George Markley.

Catharine Clemens married Jacob Oberholtzer.

Susanna Clemens married Jacob Cassel.

Esther Clemens married Benjamin Hendricks.

*** Abraham Clemens, born 12-31-1752; died 9-15-1808. He married Mary Steiner, daughter of John and Magdalena Lederach Steiner She was born ; died 9-11-1828. They were married in 1778 . They had six children:

John Clemens, born 7-17-1779; died ~~inx&anada~~ 3-29-1810

Catharine Clemens, born 5-5-1782. Married to Jacob Kolb 6-6-1805. He was born 4-18-1781; died 1-3-1869. They moved to Canada.

here she died 1-25-1869. They died just 22 days apart. He was for many years the Deacon a deacon in the Mennonite Church in Canada.

Magdalena Clemens, born 1-17-1784 and died in Canada, on Sept. 1859. She married Henry Clemmer 11-17-1805.

*** George Clemens, born in 1786; died 2-6-1843. He married Catharine Detweiler Oberholtzer, daughter of Henry and Hannah Detweiler Oberholtzer, the grand daughter of Jacob and Neltjen Kolb Detweiler. She was born 1-4-1791

Jacob Clemens, born 2-9-1788 and died in Canada 4-8-1876. He was married to Susanna Derstein. They lived in Canada.

Abraham Clemens, born 3-7-1790 ; died 4-8-1876. He was married to Rachel Derstein. He with his brother Jacob and others moved to Canada and raised large families there.

*** GEORGE CLEMENS., son of Abraham and Mary Steiner Clemens, was born 1786 and died 2-6-1849. Married Catharine D. Oberholtze daughter of Henry and Hannah Detweiler Oberholtzer. Both are buried at the Salford Mennonite Meeting House. She was born 1-4-1791 and died They nine children: viz:
Abraham o Clemens, married Mary Nice. They moved to Canada where he was drowned after which she returned to Montgomery county and married Christian Allebach, a deacon in the Towamencin Mennonite Church

Henry O. Clemens, married Annie Moyer.

John O. Clemens, married first Catharine Berger; 2 Mary Shambo.

Mary O. Clemens, married Rev. Jacob Landis.

Elizabeth D. Clemens, married Jacob D. Kratz.

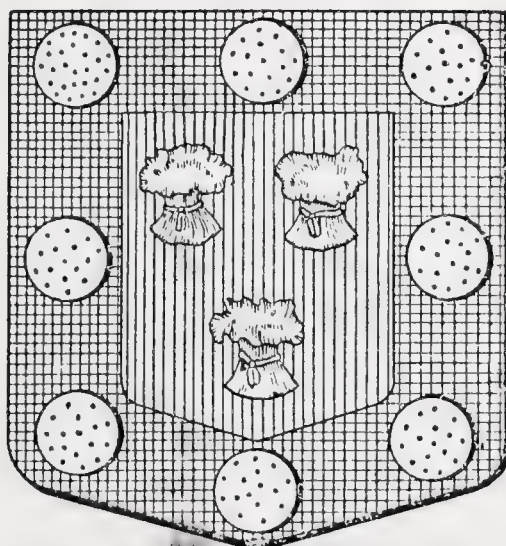
Catharine O Clemens, married Joseph H. Gottshall, son of
William Ziegler Gottshall and Magdalena Hunsberger.

Hannah O Clemens, married Rev. Moses H. Gottshall, son of William Ziegler Gottshall and Magdalena Hunsberger.

Jacob O. Clemens,

George O. Clemens, married Elizabeth Moyer.

THE CLEMENS FAMILY ARMS



Clemens

VARIANTS. Clemenz, Clemons, Clemence, Clements.

CREST. A lion passant argent; guttae de sang.

ARMS. Gules, three garbs argent with a border sable, bezante.

COLORS. The lions and the sheaves of wheat are in silver. The coins surrounding the garbs are in gold. The border of the shield is in black.

AUTHORITIES. Arms granted to Clements in Norfolk, England, 1563. The identical arms are found in old German heraldry for the Clemenz family. In 1086 the Claman family were landholders and were mentioned in the Domesday Book. The Hundred Rolls of 1273, mentions Hugh Clements, of Cambridge, Richards Clemence of Hants, and James Clemens of Norfolk; also Matthew Clemens of Oxford.

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